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TO: David Schumacher, Director, Office of Financial Management

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SUBJECT: Contingency Planning for State Agency Operations on July 1

The Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) was created to assure equitable and efficient state investment in city and county transportation projects throughout Washington State. The TIB currently has 357 active projects with 149 under construction. Approximately 95% of program funding comes from three cents of the state gas tax, with the remainder coming from license renewal fees. The agency's capital program and operations are funded solely from the adopted transportation budget.

TIB appropriations in the enacted transportation budget (ESSB 5024) provide funding for the following services:

Programs for Urban Agencies - City population more than 5,000 and county urban areas

- Urban Arterial Program An urban construction program that funds federally classified arterials.
- Arterial Preservation Program A paving assistance program developed for cities with low property assessed valuation.
- Urban Sidewalk Program A program focusing on building sidewalks in commercial and activity centers, and around schools.

Programs for Small Cities – City population less than 5,000

- Small City Arterial Program A program addressing the physical condition of roadways, geometric deficiencies and safety issues. Funds are also used for local match on federally funded highway projects.
- Small City Preservation Program This program capitalizes on nearby paving opportunities in order to drive down the cost of asphalt paving so small cities can maintain existing street pavement. Resurfacing assistance is also available to offset the costs of a state route jurisdictional transfer to specified cities with a population less than 20,000.
- Small City Sidewalk Program A program that promotes pedestrian safety and mobility between central business districts and local walking destinations.
- Low-Energy Streetlight Demonstration Program A pilot project to assess the feasibility
 and benefits of a grant program to assist small cities in updating outdated streetlight
 technology for new, low-energy lights.

The TIB operates the aforementioned services with 10 FTE.

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